

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The invention will now be further described with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a graph of percentage of melting peak remaining against temperature for TENFOR;

Figure 2 is a graph of percentage of melting peak remaining against temperature for CERTRAN;

Figure 3 is a schematic showing a U-shaped former around which fiber is wound;

Figure 4 is a schematic of a yarn translation mechanism;

Figures 5-7 illustrate wound yarn laid over a mold;

Figure 8 is a graph of modulus of irradiated TENFOR plaques against temperature;

Figure 9 is a graph of longitudinal strength for irradiated TENFOR plaques against temperature;

Figure 10 is a graph of transverse strength for irradiated TENFOR plaques against temperature;

Figure 11 is a graph of tensile modulus for hot compacted CERTRAN against temperature;

Figure 12, is a graph of strength for normal and cross-linked CERTRAN against temperature;

Figure 13 is a graph of stress strain plots for E-beam irradiated CERTRAN against strain;

Figure 14 is a graph of strain curves for hot compacted CERTRAN against strain;

Figure 15 is a graph of failure strength of CERTRAN against temperature.

EXAMPLES